

A Novelist's Life

Rider Haggard has done a great many things besides write stories through which he is best known to the public. Back in the '70s he was a prominent personage in South Africa—master of the high court of the Transvaal and the man who, with Colonel Brooke, hoisted the British flag over the South African republic.

Hope—a sentiment in the wag of a dog's tail when he is waiting for a bone.

Why There Are Spinsters

A cold blooded statistician in Washington has figured out that there are 1,600,000 more males than females in this country and sees no excuse for old maids. But what proportion of these males are fit to become husbands, after all?—Minneapolis Tribune.

A Rare Good Thing.

"Am using ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE, and can truly say I would not have been without it so long, had I known the relief it would give my aching feet. I think it a rare good thing for anyone having sore or tired feet."—Mrs. Matilda Holtwert, Providence, R. I. Sold by all Druggists, 25c. Ask to-day.

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Few escape those miseries of winter—a bad cold, a distressing cough. Many remedies are recommended, but the one quickest and best of all is Simmon's Cough Syrup. Soothing and reaching to the lungs and bronchial passages, it stops the cough at once and gives you welcome rest and peaceful sleep.

Cheap Substitute

Sawdust is now used by some Paris restaurants, the Gaulois says, as a dressing for cutlets, instead of bread crumbs. It only costs 30 cents a sack.

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"I had Inflammatory Rheumatism, but I am well now, thanks to Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy. It's my best friend."—Garrett Lansing, Troy, N. Y.

All the great work in the world is simply doing the best that is in us.

I am sure Piso's Cure for Consumption saved my life three years ago.—Mrs. THOS. ROBBINS, Maple Street, Norwich, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1900.

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Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch because they have a stock in hand of 12 oz. brands, which they know cannot be sold to a customer who has once used the 16 oz. pkg. Defiance Starch for same money.

If you are looking at a picture you try to give it the advantage of a good light. Be as courteous to your fellow beings as you are to pictures.

HAWK AN EASY VICTIM.

Woman Captured Domestic Bird of Prey With Bonnet.

Mrs. John Hart of near Tonieville had an unusual experience with a large hawk a few days ago. She went out into the yard and saw a large hawk on top of one of her largest chickens, with its talons buried into the chicken preparatory to carrying it off for a feast.

But the chicken was too large for the hawk to carry away against its will, and it was not inclined to be a party at the hawk's dinner, with the hawk master of ceremonies. Consequently the hawk was unable to rise from the ground with its victim, and Mrs. Hart went to the chicken's defense. She first started to the house for the gun, but the hawk suddenly let go of the chicken, which ran away, and Mrs. Hart pulled off her bonnet, and throwing it over the hawk, captured it and carried it into the house and bound it with twine until her husband came home. It was a very large hawk and able to put up a good fight.—Larne Herald.

Steeplechasing on an Ox.

Attempts are being made in France to train oxen for saddle riding, and several races have been organized to test their capacity. They have been trained not only as racers on "the flat," but also as successful jumpers. The above illustration is from a photograph of a well known French sports-



man riding his ox at a leap-off. The bride and saddle used are similar in general design to those used for hunters, with the exception that a very powerful bit is employed. As in their excitement the animals are disposed to lose their temper, the precaution is taken of studding the points of their horns.

Salmon Dammed Stream.

A heavy fall of snow in Scotland a few weeks ago caused the River Tay to rise suddenly. One of the big dams in the stream overflowed with the result that the salmon lying in the numerous pools at once made a rush to get higher up the stream. A workman, engaged in carting stones from the bed of the river, was astonished at the moving mass of salmon passing. So phenomenal was the shoal that the carter deemed it wise to stop his charge in the middle of the ford to allow the fish to pass. The salmon swam like lightning through the wheels of the cart and around the horse's legs. In the space of a few minutes several hundreds passed this particular point.

Cots Gold Piece After Fifty Years.

Lying undisturbed for fifty years, a one-dollar gold piece that George H. Lessig, now of Philadelphia, dropped in the crack of a floor, while dressing, was found to-day, when the old Lessig homestead in West King street, Pottstown, was demolished.

With darning needles he tried to recover the dollar, but finally gave it up. It will be sent to him.—Philadelphia Record.

Prolific Wyandotte Hens.

E. O. Sterling of Keene, N. H., reports that he received during the year ending Dec. 5 a total of 1,692 eggs from a pen of twelve white Wyandotte hens. This is an average of 141 eggs to a hen.

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Mrs. Alice Fortune, Shell Knob, Mo.

Others Times, Other Manners

"What has become of the old-fashioned man who used to get 'tight'?" asks the Lamar Sparks. He is keeping up with the march of progress and now gets jagged.—Denver Post.

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